

Salem Community College

NJ Higher Education Sector: Community College

Improving Teacher Quality

Type of Partnership: Professional Development for Teachers

Year Began: 2003

Participants Served: approx. 260 in 2003-2004 academic year

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Partners: Salem City School District, Penns Grove/Carneys Point Regional School District, DuPont Co.

DESCRIPTION

The Improving Teacher Quality Partnership Grant enables Salem Community College to provide teachers with meaningful professional development opportunities, technology assistance, and technological resources that will assist in the teaching-learning process. This grant allows Salem Community College to provide training workshops to the teachers of the partnership school districts (Salem City and Penns Grove/Carneys Point). The grant also provides an Educational Technologist as well as two Project Facilitators (master teachers) who make on-site visits and work directly with the novice teachers and mentor teachers. The Education Center (TEC) also houses a resource library that includes various educational materials for teachers.

Rising Stars

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program

Year Began: 2000

Participants Served: 15

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Partners: Penns Grove High School, Salem High School, Woodstown High School, Pennsville High

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DESCRIPTION

The Rising Stars program helps high school students from the Penns Grove, Pennsville, Salem, and Woodtown areas prepare for collegiate success. The comprehensive program consists of a five-week training series each summer at the college. Students focus on English, reading, and math in preparation for the SAT examination.

The immediate goal is to show students what colleges and universities expect from them and to help them meet and exceed those expectations. The long-term goal is for students to realize that they have what it takes to achieve their dreams and be productive members of their communities.

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Salem County Academy Programs

Type of Partnership: College Credits for High School Students

Year Began: 1995

Participants Served: 24

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DESCRIPTION

High school students may enroll in academy programs through the Salem County Arts, Science and Technology High School. Presently the following academy programs enable students to take college-level courses at Salem Community College: Academy of Biological and Medical Sciences; Academy of Chemical Engineering and Technology; and Academy of Graphic Design in Multimedia Technology.

These rigorous programs are designed to help prepare students for careers in specific fields. Students transfer their SCC credits to four-year institutions. The following services are provided during the academic year: Computer-skills training, math/science instruction, critical thinking skills development, grade and attendance monitoring, college courses for credit, social skills development/confidence building, leadership development, college fairs, college awareness, career counseling and information, personal counseling, cultural activities and field trips.

Salem County High Schools' Robotics Team

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program

Year Began: 1999

Participants Served: 15

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Partners: Penns Grove, Carney's Point, Woodstown, Pilesgrove, Pittsgrove, Pennsville, and Salem School Districts
, County Vocational-Technical

DESCRIPTION

The Salem County Robotics Team is affiliated with FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology), a non-profit organization created to inspire an appreciation of science and technology in young people. High school students and technical mentors work as a team to design and build a robot that solves a problem using a common "kit of parts" and a standard set of rules. After building a new robot each winter, the Salem County team competes in regional and national events sponsored by FIRST. The FIRST Robotics Competitions bring together high school students, mentors, parents, and volunteers.

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Salem County School to Careers

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program

Participants Served: 27

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Partners: schools in Salem County

DESCRIPTION

The Salem County School to Careers program helps young people realize that postsecondary education is critical to obtaining high-skill, high-wage employment. The program is open to any students between the ages of 16 and 25 who lack a high school diploma. Each morning, the program participants attend their local high school or one of the county's three adult schools. Three afternoons per week, the students attend Salem Community College, earning college credit in career-specific or career-skills classes. In the summer, they participate in paid-work experiences that parallel the career pathway they choose at school.

Salem County Science Fair

Type of Partnership: Precollege Program

Year Began: 1990

Participants Served: 400

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Partners: Strang School, Marexcel Academy, Halter Home School, Salem County Vocational Technical

DESCRIPTION

Salem County's fifth through twelfth grade students participate in the Annual Salem County Science Fair, sponsored by Dupont Partners in Science. The fair allows students to apply what they have learned in school. Participants concentrate on an area of special interest, collecting and analyzing data while following the scientific method. Students also practice public speaking and presentation skills during an interview with judges. Area teachers and professionals serve as judges. Students can win savings bonds at this level; successful sixth through twelfth graders are eligible to continue on to the Delaware Valley Science Fair, where they can win college scholarships.
